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1. SESTUF (Statia Experimentală Stuf - Experimental Station For Reeds), at Strada Portului 49, Tulcea, the former building of Fabrica Talpa, is conducting experiments in connection with the reeds found in the Danube Delta. the normal activity was experiments regarding the extraction of cellulose pulp from the reeds for the manufacture of paper and starch, and the pressing of reed roots to extract sugar. the greatest attention was given to special experiments for extracting special chemicals (sic) from the reeds.

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2. Engineer Ion Sturza is a member of the staff of SESTUF. He is a chemist.

3. Engineer Ion Sandulescu is also a member of the SESTUF staff. He is the technician conducting experiments on various machines.

The machines on which Sandulescu is working are principally machines for cutting the reeds, pressing them, and extracting cellulose from them.

4. Georgescu is manager of SESTUF in Tulcea. He is a member of the PMR.

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5. SESTUF in Tulcea is under the general direction of Statia Pilot - SESTUF in Bucharest which in turn is controlled by ICEPS. ICEPS central offices were at Strada C.A. Rosetti, 32, in Bucharest.

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6. Barbasch Zingfried is chief of the chemical engineers at Statia Pilot in Bucharest.

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7. Dr. Rodescu, formerly named Rodowals, is one of the chief chemists at Statia Pilot. Rodescu is described as a Doctor of Hydrology.

8. The Rumanian Government appears to attach great importance to the experimental work being done. Ministerial Commissions often came to

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Tulcea to follow the progress of the work being done there.

9. Plans were also being discussed to build a new sulphuric acid factory at Tulcea, and to exploit the old Altintepe mines about 30 kilometers from Tulcea, east of Babadag.

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